# MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION WEEKLY CALENDAR - DECEMBER 14, 2007

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STATE OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED ON DECEMBER 25, 2007, IN OBSERVANCE OF THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY, AND JANUARY 1, 2008, IN OBSERVANCE OF THE NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY.

### **NEW COMPUTERIZED TAP FORM**

Starting January 1, 2008, the Public Utilities Commission will no longer accept hard copies of the TAP reporting form. Companies will now have to electronically file the new, computerized TAP reporting form, which can be downloaded at the following web address: <a href="http://www.puc.state.mn.us/telecom/index.htm">http://www.puc.state.mn.us/telecom/index.htm</a>. The form is the last item in the sidebar on the left of the page.

### **DUAL NOTICE**

Notice of Intent to Adopt Rules Without a Public Hearing Unless 25 or More Persons Request a Hearing, and Notice of Hearing If 25 or More Requests For Hearing Are Received;

In the Matter of Possible Amendments to Commission Rules Governing Energy Utility Billing Errors Rules, Minnesota Rules parts 7820.3700-.4000, Docket Number E,G-999/05-444.

### **Commissioner Marshall Johnson Farewell Celebration**

In honor of Commissioner Marshall Johnson's 14+ years as commissioner, the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission along with the Johnson family, will be hosting a farewell celebration for our friend and colleague. The celebration will take place Monday, January 7, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission's Large Hearing Room. There will be a brief program and light breakfast served at the party. If you plan to attend and/or would like to say a few words or share a fond memory, please respond by clicking on <a href="mailto:registrar.puc@state.mn.us">registrar.puc@state.mn.us</a>.

### COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE - WEEK OF DECEMBER 17, 2007

NOTE: An unresolved meeting item will either be continued to the next regularly scheduled Commission meeting or will be rescheduled. If no items are listed for a Commission meeting and there are no items continued from a prior meeting, the meeting is canceled. Please contact the receptionist at (651) 296-7124 for confirmation of the Commission schedule.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2007

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2007

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2007

9:30 a.m. - PUC Planning Meeting

No Other Items Scheduled.

See Agenda on the following page.

No Other Items Scheduled.

### **TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2007**

### 9:30 a.m. - AGENDA

#### **DECISION ITEMS**

### \*\*1. P-5340.421/IC-06-768 Qwest Corporation; Eschelon Telecom, Inc.

In the Matter of the Petition of Eschelon Telecom, Inc. for Arbitration of an Interconnection Agreement with Qwest Corporation Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §252(b).

- I. How shall the Commission resolve the disagreement over contract language?
- II. Upon resolution, what procedures should govern the final contract review?(PUC: O'Grady) NOTE: Staff briefing papers will be distributed separately.

### \*\*2. E-015/SA-07-1079 Minnesota Power; Lake Country Power

In the Matter of the Joint Application of Minnesota Power and Mesabi Nugget Delaware, LLC for Approval of a Service Extension Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 216B.42: Shall the Commission accept the ALJ's recommendations to accept the withdrawal of the joint petition and terminate the proceeding? (PUC: **Mitchell**)

# \*\*3. G-007,011/D-06-826 Aquila Inc. d/b/a Aquila Networks-PNG and Aquila Networks-NMU; Minnesota Energy Resources Corporation

In the Matter of the 2006 Depreciation Technical Update: What is the appropriate treatment of the gain on the sale of the peaking plant property? (PUC: **Dasinger**)

### DELIBERATION ITEM This item will not be heard before 10:30 a.m.

### \*\*4. E-001/PA-07-540 Interstate Power and Light Company; ITC Midwest LLC

In the Matter of the Joint Petition for Approval of the Transfer of Transmission Assets of Interstate Power and Light Company and ITC Midwest LLC: Should the Commission approve the proposed transfer of transmission assets from Interstate Power and Light Company to ITC Midwest LLC? (PUC: **Sickmann, Fittipaldi**) **NOTE:** Please see December 11, 2007 Agenda for staff briefing papers.

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2007

9:30 a.m. - AGENDA

### DELIBERATION ITEMS No Items

### **DECISION ITEMS**

### \*1. P-999/M-07-1356 All Telephone Companies

Petition to Order Discontinuance of Service to Revoked Carriers and Carriers That Have Relinquished Their Authority. (PUC: Oberlander; DOC: Schneider) **NOTE:** Staff supports the DOC recommendation to order discontinuance of service to revoked carriers and to carriers that have relinquished their authority.

### \*2. P-5383,522/PA-07-1371 Farmers Mutual Telephone Co.; Farmers Mutual Technologies, Inc.

Petition of Farmers Mutual Telephone Company for Approval of Acquisition of Assets and Customers from Farmers Mutual Technologies, Inc. (PUC: Lindell; DOC: Linscheid) **NOTE:** Staff generally supports the DOC recommendations, including finding violations of law, and recommends that the Commission determine whether or not penalties are warranted.

### \*3. P,E-100,523,5750/PA- Federated Telephone Cooperative; Agralite Electric Cooperative; O7-1411 HomeTown Solutions, LLC

Joint Petition for Approval of Transfer of Membership Interest. (PUC: Lindell; DOC: Linscheid) **NOTE:** Staff supports the Commission finding that the companies violated Minn. Stat. Sect. 237.23 and 237.74, subd. 12, and recommends that the Commission consider whether or not penalties are warranted.

### \*4. P-421/AM-07-865 Competitive Local Exchange Carriers; Qwest

In the Matter of Qwest's Petition for Approval of 2007 Additions to Non-Impaired Wire Center List: Should the Commission approve the Parties' recommended procedures to address their disputes regarding additions to the non-impaired wire center list? (PUC: **Lindell**)

### \*5. P-5096,6011/M-07-1477 Qwest Communications Corporation; Reduced Rate Long Distance, LLC

In the Matter of Qwest's Petition to Disconnect Service to Reduced Rate Long Distance: Should the Commission grant Qwest's petition to disconnect service to Reduced Rate Long Distance? (PUC: Moy)

### 6. E-002/CN-07-873 Xcel Energy

In the Matter of the Application of Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy for a Certificate of Need for the Grand Meadow Wind Farm: Should the Commission grant a Certificate of Need for the Grand Meadow Wind Farm? (PUC: **Eknes**)

# 7. E-015,ET6,E017/CN- Otter Tail Power Company; Minnesota Power; 07-1222 Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc.

In the Matter of the Application of Otter Tail Power Company, Minnesota Power and Minnkota Power Cooperative, Inc. for a 230 kV Transmission Line from Bemidji to Grand Rapids Minnesota: Request by Applicants for Exemptions: Should the Commission approve the proposed designation of Applicants and the exemption request for the Certificate of Need Application for the Bemidji to Grand Rapids 230-kV transmission line? (PUC: **Eknes**)

### \*8. E,G-999/M-07-1102 All Wind Developers

In the Matter of Establishment of General Permit Standards for the Siting of Wind Generation Projects Less than 25 Megawatts: Should the Commission establish general wind permit standards recommended by the Department and required by Minnesota Session Laws 2007, Chap. 136, SF 145? (PUC: Cupit; DOC: **Sokolski**).

### 9. E-241,120/SA-07-1304 Glencoe Light and Power; McLeod Cooperative Power

Electric Service Territory Memorandum of Understanding Between Glencoe Light and Power and McLeod Cooperative Power. (PUC: Mitchell: DOC: Ouanes)

#### 10. E-015/M-07-1430 Minnesota Power

Petition for Approval to Implement Cost Recovery under its Boswell 3 Environmental Improvement Plan. (PUC: Harding; DOC: Peirce)

### \*11. E,G-002/M-07-283 Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy

In the Matter of Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy's Petition for Approval of State Energy Policy Rate Rider and Compliance Filing: Should the proposed rate revisions to the State Energy Policy Riders be approved? (PUC: **Sickmann**)

### \*12. E,G-002/S-07-1323 Northern States Power Company

In the Matter of the Petition of Northern States Power Company for Approval of Capital Structure for Issuance of Long-Term and Short-Term Securities for 2008: Shall the Commission approve or reject the Petition? (PUC: **Mitchell**)

#### 13. E-111/M-07-1283 Dakota Electric Association

Annual Conservation Tracker Account Report. (PUC: Sickmann; DOC: Shaw)

### \*14. E,G-002/CI-02-2034 Northern States Power Company d/b/a Xcel Energy

In the Matter of an Investigation and Audit of Northern States Power Company's Service Quality Reporting: Should the Commission approve Xcel's proposed revised Gas Emergency Response Metric? (PUC: **Harding, Rebholz**)

### \*15. G-008/M-07-1063 CenterPoint Energy

Petition for Approval of a Continued Variance from the Commission's Automatic Adjustment Rules Related to the Recovery of Demand Costs. (PUC: **Dasinger**)

### \*16. ET-9/RP-06-605 Southern Minnesota Municipal Power Agency

In the Matter of Southern Minnesota Municipal Power Agency's 20062021 Resource Plan: What action should the Commission take regarding SMMPA's 2006-2021 Resource Plan in light of SMMPA's Notice of a Change in Circumstances? (PUC: **Fournier**, **Krishnan**)

### ORAL ARGUMENT ITEMS No Items

- \* One star indicates the item is unusual but is not disputed.
- \*\* Two stars indicate a disputed item or significant legal or procedural issue to be resolved. (Ex Parte Rules apply)

### CONSENT CALENDAR - WEEK OF DECEMBER 17, 2007

SUBMITTED FOR COMMISSION REVIEW: Wednesday, December 12, 2007 DEADLINE FOR COMMISSION REVIEW: Tuesday, December 18, 2007

Approval of Minutes: November 29, 2007 Casebolt
December 6, 2007 Casebolt

### 1. P-5610,5591/PA-07-1437 Americatel Corporation; Startec Global Operating Company

Joint Petition for Americatel Corporation's Acquisition of Startec Global Operating Company. (PUC: Lindell; DOC: Linscheid)

### 2. P-5639/M-07-626 Ace Link Telecommunications, Inc.

911 Plan for Houston County. (PUC: Lindell; DOC: Dietz)

### 3. P-571/AM-07-1445 Winnebago Cooperative Telephone Association

Application for Approval of the Name Change to Winnebago Cooperative Telecom Association on the Company's Certificate of Authority (PUC: Oberlander; DOC: Schneider)

### 4. P-6652/NA-07-1196 Big River Telephone Company, LLC

Application for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Facilities Based Local and Long Distance Services. (PUC: Oberlander; DOC: Dietz)

# 5. P-405,6387/IC-07-1485 Frontier Communications of Minnesota, Inc.; Nextera Communications, LLC

Joint Application for Approval of the Companies' Interconnection Agreement. (PUC: Lindell; DOC: Linscheid)

## 6. P-407,6387/IC-07-1486 Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC; Nextera Communications, LLC

Joint Application for Approval of the Companies' Interconnection Agreement. (PUC: Lindell; DOC: Linscheid)

### 7. P-405,5986/IC-07-1487 Frontier Communications of Minnesota, Inc.; Velocity Telephone, Inc.

Joint Application for Approval of the Companies' Interconnection Agreement. (PUC: O'Grady; DOC: Linscheid)

## 8. P-545,407/IC-07-1497 Christensen Communications Company; Citizens Telecommunications Company of Minnesota, LLC

Joint Application for Approval of the Companies' Interconnection Agreement. (PUC: Lindell; DOC: Schneider)

### 9. P-5596,421/IC-07-1515 Enventis Telecom, Inc.; Qwest Corporation

Joint Application for Approval of the November 30, 2007 Amendment to Companies' Interconnection Agreement (Originally Approved in Docket No. P-5596,421/M-99-403); Incorporating Certain Terms, Rates and Conditions for Loop-Max Combination and Unbundled Network Element Combinations. (PUC: Lindell; DOC: Linscheid)

### 10. P-430/AR-07-948 Embarg Minnesota, Inc.

In the Matter of a Petition by Embarq Minnesota, Inc. for Renewal and Revision of its Revised Alternative Regulation Plan - Embarq Request for a 30 Day Extension of Existing AFOR Plan. (PUC: Moy)

### **ADDENDUM**

SUBMITTED FOR COMMISSION REVIEW: Thursday, December 13, 2007
DEADLINE FOR COMMISSION REVIEW: Friday, December 14, 2007

### 11. P-6654/NA-07-1261 TeleCommunication Systems, Inc.

Application for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Facilities Based Local Services - Consideration of Request for 45 Day Extension to File Tariffs. (PUC: Oberlander)

### **UPCOMING MEETINGS - WEEK OF DECEMBER 24, 2007**

NOTE: The following agendas are **subject to change**. Please refer to the next **Weekly Calendar** to confirm agenda items, dates and times.

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2007

### The AGENDA MEETING for this week has been CANCELED.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**In the Matter** of the Xcel Energy and Great River Energy Certificate of Need Application for Three 345 kV Transmission Lines in Minnesota, Docket ET-2, E-002/CN-06-1115; DOC Staff contact: David Birkholz (651-296-2878),

### **PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETINGS**

| DATE AND TIME                                    | CITY             | MEETING LOCATION   |
|--|------------------|--|
| Monday, December 10, 2007<br>12:00 - 2:00 p.m.   | Moorhead, MN     | Courtyard By Marriot<br>1080 28 <sup>th</sup> Avenue South |
| Monday, December 10, 2007<br>6:00 - 8:00 p.m.    | Fergus Falls, MN | Best Western Events Center<br>921 Western Avenue           |
| Tuesday, December 11, 2007<br>12:00 - 2:00 p.m.  | Alexandria, MN   | City Hall, Council Chambers<br>704 Broadway                |
| Tuesday, December 11, 2007<br>6:00 - 8:00 p.m.   | Clearwater, MN   | American Legion<br>505 Pine Street                         |
| Thursday, December 13, 2007<br>12:00 - 2:00 p.m. | Winona, MN       | Riverport Inn<br>900 Bruski Drive                          |
| Thursday, December 13, 2007<br>6:00 - 8:00 p.m.  | Rochester, MN    | Heritage Suites<br>2829 43 <sup>rd</sup> Street NW         |
| Monday, December 17, 2007<br>12:00 - 2:00 p.m.   | Marshall, MN     | Best Western Marshall Inn<br>1500 East College Drive       |
| Monday, December 17, 2007<br>6:00 - 8:00 p.m.    | Olivia, MN       | Max's Grill<br>1325 West Lincoln Avenue                    |
| Tuesday, December 18, 2007<br>12:00 - 2:00 p.m.  | Arlington, MN    | Arlington Community Center<br>204 Shamrock Drive           |
| Tuesday, December 18, 2007<br>6:00 - 8:00 p.m.   | Cannon Falls, MN | Grandpa's Event Center<br>31846 65 <sup>th</sup> Avenue    |

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**In the Matter** of the Application of Great River Energy, Northern States Power Company (dba Xcel Energy) and Others for a Certificate of Need for the CapX 345-kV Transmission Project, Docket ET02, E-002 et al/CN-06-1115; Administrative Law Judge: Beverly Jones Heydinger; PUC Staff: David Jacobson (651-201-2238), or Bret Eknes (651-201-2236).

### PREHEARING CONFERENCE

**Tuesday, December 18, 2007, 2:00 p.m.** - Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, Large Hearing Room, 121 7<sup>th</sup> Place East, Suite 350, St. Paul, MN 55101.

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**In the Matter** of the Application of Great River Energy for a Certificate of Need for a 175 MW Peaking Plant in Elk River, MN, Docket ET-2/CN-07-678; Administrative Law Judge: Richard C. Luis; PUC Staff: David Jacobson (651-201-2238).

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**Wednesday, December 19, 2007, 7:00 p.m.** - Rosemount City Hall, 2875 145<sup>th</sup> Street W., Rosemount, MN. **Thursday, December 20, 2007, 7:00 p.m.** - Elk River City Hall, 13065 Orono Pkwy NW, Elk River, MN.

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In the Matter of the Annual Review of Energy Facilities Permitting Programs; PUC Staff Bob Cupit (651-201-2255).

#### **PUBLIC HEARING:**

**Thursday, December 27, 2007, 10:00 a.m.** - Minnesota Public Utilities Commission, Small Hearing Room, 121 7<sup>th</sup> Place East, Suite 350, St. Paul, MN 55101.

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**In the Matter** of the Application for a Pipeline Routing Permit for the Nashwauk-Blackberry Natural Gas Pipeline Project, Docket No. PL,E-280/GP-06-1481; Administrative Law Judge: Steve M. Mihalchick; PUC Staff: Bob Cupit.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

January 3-4, 2008, 9:00 a.m. - Nashwauk City Hall, 301 Central Ave., Nashwauk, MN

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**In the Matter** of the Application of Otter Tail Power Company and Others for Certification of Transmission Facilities in Western Minnesota, Docket ET-6131 ,ET-2,ET-6130, ET-10, ET-6444,E-017, ET-9/CN-05-619 Administrative Law Judge: Steve M. Mihalchick; PUC Staff: David Jacobson (651-201-2238).

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

January 10, 2008, 6:00 p.m. - Ortonville Community Center, 200 Monroe Ave., Ortonville, MN.

### RECENTLY ISSUED FORMAL ORDERS

| COMPANY/SUBJECT                                | DOCKET#             | TITLE  | SERVICE<br>DATE | PGS |
|--|---------------------|--|-----------------|-----|
| Qwest Corporation                              | P-421/AR-97-1544    | Order Accepting Final Report and Authorizing Final Expenditures.   | 12-7-07         | 3   |
| Nashwauk Public Utilities<br>Commission        | PL,E-280/GP-06-1481 | Order Authorizing Further Consideration of Certain Alternative Routes and Route Segments and Requiring Landowner Notice. | 12-7-07         | 8   |
| Velocity Telephone, Inc.;<br>Qwest Corporation | P-421/C-07-1020     | Order Closing Docket.  | 12-12-07        | 2   |
| Otter Tail Power Company                       | E-017/M-04-1751     | Order Closing Investigation.   | 12-12-07        | 9   |
| High Prairie Wind Farm I, LLC                  | PT-6528/WS-06-91    | Order Transferring Wind Site Permit.   | 12-12-07        | 2   |
| OneNet USA, Inc.                               | P-6514/C-07-1248    | Order to Show Cause.   | 12-12-07        | 3   |

### ORDERS ISSUED WITHOUT HEARING\*

\*Pursuant to the Commission's August 25, 2000 Standing Order Designating Certain Filings as Filings Subject to Approval Under Minn. Stat. Sect. 216A.03, Subd. 7, Docket No. P-999/CI-00-634 and the Commission's Consent Calendar subcommittee process authorized under Minn. Stat. Section 216A.03, Subd. 8, and approved by the Commission at its December 18, 2001 agenda meeting.

| COMPANY/SUBJECT                 | DOCKET#           | TITLE/DISPOSITION SUMMARY   | SERVICE<br>DATE | PGS |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|---|-----------------|-----|
| TeleCommunication Systems, Inc. | P-6654/NA-07-1261 | Application for a Certificate of Authority (CoA) to Provide Facilities Based Local Services - Consideration of Request for 45 Day Extension to File Tariff - Granted extension. | 12-13-07        | 1   |

### RECENTLY ISSUED COMMISSION NOTICES

Note: Under TITLE; COMMENTS DUE, CD = Comments Due; ICD = Initial Comments Due; RCD = Reply Comments Due.

| COMPANY/SUBJECT                    | DOCKET#          | TITLE;<br>COMMENTS DUE  | SERVICE<br>DATE | PGS |
|------------------------------------|------------------|---|-----------------|-----|
| Xcel Energy                        | G-002/C-06-155   | Notice of Approval of Tariff.   | 12-7-07         | 6   |
| All Electric Companies             | E-999/M-07-1028  | Notice of Comment Period - ICD 1-15-08; RCD 3-3-08.                                     | 12-7-07         | 1   |
| Comcast Phone of Minnesota, Inc.   | P-3123/M-07-1417 | Notice of Extended Initial Comment Period - ICD 12-14-07; RCD 12-24-07.                 | 12-10-07        | 1   |
| Xcel Energy                        | E-002/M-07-1489  | Notice of Extended Initial Comment Period - ICD 2-26-08; RCD 3-7-08                     | 12-10-07        | 1   |
| Xcel Energy                        | E-002/PA-07-1298 | Notice of Extended Initial Comment Period,<br>Second Request - ICD 1-9-08; RCD 1-22-08. | 12-10-07        | 1   |
| Nextera Communications, LLC        | P-6387/M-07-998  | Notice of Extended Initial Comment Period,<br>Third Request - ICD 2-12-08; RCD 2-22-08. | 12-12-07        | 1   |
| Interstate Power and Light Company | E-001/M-07-1431  | Notice of Extended Initial Comment Period - ICD 1-11-08; RCD 1-22-08.                   | 12-12-07        | 1   |

### RECENT COMMISSION DECISIONS

Meeting Date: December 11, 2007

ORAL ARGUMENT ITEM

Deliberations will be heard on Thursday, December 13.

\*\*1. E-001/PA-07-540 Interstate Power and Light; ITC Midwest LLC Oral argument held.

In the Matter of the Joint Petition for Approval of the Transfer of Transmission Assets of Interstate Power and Light Company and ITC Midwest LLC: Should the Commission approve the proposed transfer of transmission assets from Interstate Power and Light Company to ITC Midwest LLC? (PUC: **Sick mann, Fittipaldi**)

### Meeting Date: December 13, 2007

### **DECISION ITEMS**

#### \*\*1. P-6523/M-07-690 **Cordia Communications Corporation** Reject tariff without prejudice.

In the Matter of Cordia's Intrastate Access Services Tariff: Should the Commission approve Cordia's intrastate access services tariff? (PUC: Krishnan)

#### \*\*2. P-6589M-07-1004 First Communications, LLC Reject tariff without prejudice.

In the Matter of Competitive Access Provider Tariff: Should the Commission approve First Communications, LLC's Competitive Access Provider Tariff? (PUC: Krishnan)

#### PT-6499/WS-05-1707 Fenton Power Partners I, LLC (enXco) 3. Approved.

n the Matter of a Site Permit for the 205.5 Megawatt Fenton Power Partners, LLC for a Large Wind Energy Conversion System Site Permit in Murray and Nobles Counties: Should the Commission amend its Order Granting Site Permit to change permittee name? (PUC: Cupit)

#### Wisconsin Power and Light Company ET6657/CN-07-1425 Variance granted. (Alliant Energy)

In the Matter of the Application of Wisconsin Power and Light Company for a Certificate of Need for a 200 Megawatt Wind Facility in Freeborn County, Minnesota: Should the Commission vary Minn. Rule, parts 7849.0200, subp. 6 to allow more time to consider the exemption request? (PUC: Eknes)

#### **DELIBERATION ITEM**

| ····5. | E-001/PA-07-340 | interstate Power and Light Company; | Directed parties to submit revised  |
|--------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|        |                 | ITC Midwest LLC                     | settlement agreement by Monday,     |
|        |                 |                                     | Dec. 17, 2007 for Commission review |

at the Dec. 18, 2007 Agenda Meeting.

In the Matter of the Joint Petition for Approval of the Transfer of Transmission Assets of Interstate Power and Light Company and ITC Midwest LLC: Should the Commission approve the proposed transfer of transmission assets from Interstate Power and Light Company to ITC Midwest LLC? (PUC: Sickmann, Fittipaldi) **NOTE:** Please see December 11, 2007 Agenda for staff briefing papers.

### **ORAL ARGUMENT ITEMS** No Items

### MISCELLANEOUS DOCKETS THROUGH DECEMBER 11, 2007

Comment due dates on New Authority (NA) filings can be subject to change depending on receipt of filing fee.

| DOCKET#         | DATE<br>FILED | COMPANY                                    | DESCRIPTION  | COMMENTS<br>DUE |
|-----------------|---------------|--|--|-----------------|
| G004/AA-07-1529 | 12-3-07       | Great Plains Natural Gas Co.               | December 2007 PGA - South (Minder)   |                 |
| G004/AA-07-1530 | 12-3-07       | Great Plains Natural Gas Co.               | December 2007 PGA - North (Minder)   |                 |
| P405/AM-07-1531 | 12-4-07       | Frontier Communications of Minnesota, Inc. | Add explanatory language to tariff for E911 database charges and clarify additional tariff pages (Dietz) |                 |

| P430/AM-07-1532           | 12-4-07  | Embarq Minnesota, Inc.                                | NANPA waiver request for two 1000 NXX blocks (Doherty)                               | 1-3-08   |
|---------------------------|----------|---|--|----------|
| P5728, 421/IC-07-<br>1533 | 12-4-07  | Onvoy, Inc.;<br>Qwest Corporation                     | Amendment to interconnection agreement (Schneider)                                   | 12-14-07 |
| P5986/M-07-1534           | 12-5-07  | Velocity Telephone, Inc.                              | Tariff - Correct page 28, sections 5 and 10 - General Services (Dietz)               |          |
| P404/AM-07-1535           | 12-5-07  | Bridge Water Telephone<br>Company                     | Tariff - Install waiver Smart Pack Bundle and Return Customer promotions (Schneider) |          |
| P418/AM-07-1536           | 12-5-07  | Mid-State Telephone<br>Company                        | Tariff - Install waiver Smart Pack Bundle and Return Customer promotions (Schneider) |          |
| P573/AM-07-1537           | 12-5-07  | Winsted Telephone Company                             | Tariff - Install waiver Smart Pack Bundle and Return Customer promotions (Schneider) |          |
| P5040/RV-07-1538          | 12-6-07  | Buehner-Fry, Inc.                                     | Revoke authority (Schneider)   |          |
| P6249/RV-07-1539          | 12-6-07  | Colorado Communications<br>Network, Inc.              | Investigate if still in business (Dietz)   |          |
| P6208/RV-07-1540          | 12-6-07  | Convergia, Inc.                                       | Investigate if still in business (Dietz)   |          |
| P6140/RV-07-1541          | 12-6-07  | Affinity Telecom, Inc. dba C-COM                      | Investigate if still in business (Schneider)   |          |
| P5188/RV-07-1542          | 12-7-07  | Evercom Systems, Inc.                                 | Investigate if still in business (Schneider)   |          |
| P5861/RV-07-1543          | 12-7-07  | ezTel Network Services, LLC                           | Investigate if still in business (Dietz)   |          |
| P5988/RV-07-1544          | 12-7-07  | KMC Telecom V, Inc.                                   | Investigate if still in business (Dietz)   |          |
| P6240/RV-07-1545          | 12-7-07  | MGEN Services Corp.                                   | Investigate if still in business (Dietz)   |          |
| E6465/WS-07-<br>1546      | 12-7-07  | Summit Wind, LLC c/o Wind<br>Energy Developers        | Jeffers 48 and 4 Wind Energy Centers (Hartman, Pile)                                 |          |
| P5542/M-07-1547           | 12-7-07  | Tekstar Communications, Inc.                          | Tariff - Business Calling Plan (Schneider)   |          |
| P5728, 421/IC-07-<br>1548 | 12-7-07  | Onvoy, Inc.; Qwest<br>Corporation                     | Interconnection agreement (Linscheid)  | 12-17-07 |
| P5728/M-07-1549           | 12-7-07  | Onvoy, Inc.   | 911 Plan revised - 2007 (Dietz, Eggimann, Krushe)                                    | 1-7-08   |
| G002/MR-07-1550           | 12-7-07  | Xcel Energy   | Base cost of gas (Griffing)  | 1-7-08   |
| P6267/M-07-1551           | 12-7-07  | Hiawatha Broadband Communications, Inc.               | 911 Plan Winona and Wabasha<br>Counties (Eggimann, Krushe, Dietz)                    | 1-7-08   |
| P3144/M-07-1552           | 12-10-07 | Ionex Communications North, Inc.                      | 911 Plan 2007 (Eggimann, Krushe)   |          |
| P5794/M-07-1553           | 12-7-07  | Local Access Network, LLC dba Milaca Local Link       | 911 Plan (Eggimann, Krushe)  |          |
| P478/M-07-1554            | 12-5-07  | Teleconnect Long Distance<br>Services and Systems Co. | Tariff - 1010987 calling service (Doyle)   |          |

### GENERAL INFORMATION

<u>Commission Hours</u>: Commission hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Visitors to the Commission should sign the register and the receptionist will announce your arrival to the individual you are here to see.

<u>Website Information</u>: For your convenience, information contained in the print version of the PUC Weekly Calendar is also available on our website: <a href="www.puc.state.mn.us">www.puc.state.mn.us</a>. Internet access to public documents in Commission proceedings is also available via the Commission's web site, as well as the Department of Commerce web site, at <a href="https://www.edockets.state.mn.us/EFiling/home.jsp">https://www.edockets.state.mn.us/EFiling/home.jsp</a>. (Transcripts and protected data are not available on Edockets.)

To access the Commission's monthly calendar and meeting agendas: Click on the "Calendar" section on the PUC home page. You'll see a calendar page listing Commission activities for six weeks ahead. Find the meeting date you're looking for, and click on the link for the agenda for that date.

To access briefing papers associated with upcoming agenda items: If Commission staff briefing papers are available for the item in which you are interested, they will be accessible by clicking on the "Briefing Papers" link following the item description as it appears on the meeting agenda. No "Briefing Papers" link means there have been no staff briefing papers issued for that item. Agendas and briefing papers for past Commission Agenda Meetings can be found under "Calendar Archives."

To access Orders, Notices Initial Filings, Comments, Briefing Papers and other public documents in docketed proceedings before the Commission: Go to Edockets at <a href="www.puc.state.mn.us">www.puc.state.mn.us</a> or <a href="https://www.edockets.state.mn.us/EFiling/home.jsp">https://www.edockets.state.mn.us/EFiling/home.jsp</a>. (Transcripts and protected data are not available on Edockets.)

<u>Notice of all Commission Meetings</u>: Meetings not appearing in this publication, are posted on the bulletin board located outside the Commission's Large Hearing Room, 121 7th Place East, Suite 350. As meetings occasionally must be canceled or rescheduled, please confirm the time and date by calling 651-296-7124, or by checking the Commission's website.

**The Commission hearing rooms are accessible.** If other reasonable accommodations are needed to enable you to fully participate in a Commission meeting (i.e., sign language or large print materials), or to receive the Commission's **Weekly Calendar** in an **alternative format (i.e. large print or audio tape)**, please call 651-201-2202 (voice) or 1-800-627-3529 (TTY Relay Service). For meeting materials, please call 651-296-7124 at least one week in advance of the meeting.

<u>Filing Requirements</u>: All filings must be submitted in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, MN Rules Chapter 7829. Incomplete filings will be rejected. Documents are filed with the Commission when received in the Commission offices during regular business hours. Commission business hours are 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Documents received after the close of business will be date stamped with the following business day's date.

<u>Service List Changes</u>: Parties or participants who wish to change the name or address of any person receiving service on their behalf should provide written notice of the change to the Executive Secretary and to all persons on the official service list. Please include the docket number(s) of the service lists needing to be changed. Names and addresses on items returned by the Post Office due to expired forwarding addresses will be removed from service lists on which they appear.

<u>Briefing Papers/Public Files</u>: Briefing papers are available on the Commission's website. See web site information, above. In addition, briefing papers, as well as all other public documents in Commission proceedings, are available via the internet through Edockets. (Transcripts and protected data are not available on Edockets.) Edockets can bee accessed from the Commission's web site at <a href="https://www.edockets.state.mn.us/EFiling/home.jsp">www.puc.state.mn.us</a> or the Department's web site at <a href="https://www.edockets.state.mn.us/EFiling/home.jsp">https://www.edockets.state.mn.us/EFiling/home.jsp</a>. The Commission also makes available to the public two copies of Commission briefing and discussion materials presented to Commissioners in formal hearings. Those materials are available only for use within the hearing room.

Interested parties who wish to obtain their own copy of these materials can do so by notifying the Commission at 651-201-2203. To ensure that copies will be ready in time for the meeting, notice should be provided at least 24 hours in advance. Upon request, parties to formal proceedings will receive one free copy of briefing materials; the charge for all other copies is 25 cents per page.

Public files are maintained by the Department of Commerce. Internet access to public documents in docketed Commission proceedings is available on Edockets at <a href="www.puc.state.mn.us">www.puc.state.mn.us</a> or <a href="https://www.edockets.state.mn.us/EFiling/home.jsp">https://www.edockets.state.mn.us/EFiling/home.jsp</a>. Anyone wishing to review an actual case file should contact the Department at (651) 296-6913 to arrange an appointment. Consistent with our current policy of honoring reasonable requests for any information contained in the public files, copies will be provided at a charge of 25 cents per page. Prepayment may be required.

<u>Court Reporter Services:</u> Parties interested in making arrangements for court reporter services at a Commission sponsored meeting should contact Mary Swoboda at 651-201-2244 seven days in advance of the meeting. **The services of a court reporter will only be provided at meetings in instances where a party has requested this service.** The requesting party will be responsible for paying the court reporter's appearance fee, as established under the state contract. If more than one party requests court reporter services, the appearance fee will be pro-rated among all requesting parties.

<u>Transcripts:</u> Parties requesting a *written transcript* of a proceeding should contact **Shaddix & Associates** at 952-888-7687. If a transcript has not already been prepared, the requesting party will be responsible for paying the cost of the original transcript, which includes a copy for that party. Parties requesting a written transcript from tape recordings of meetings already conducted will be responsible for paying for copies of the meeting tapes, and the cost of the original transcript, which includes the party's copy\*. If more than one party requests the same transcript, the cost of the original transcript and copies will be prorated among all requesting parties. A transcript must be transcribed by a contracted court reporter, designated by the Commission, to be considered official. Electronic copies of transcripts are not available via Edockets.

<u>Tape recordings only:</u> Parties requesting only a tape recording of a proceeding where a transcript is not needed should call 651-296-7124.

\*In all cases, the original transcript will remain the property of the Public Utilities Commission and will become the official transcript of the proceedings.

Ethics in Government Act: The lobbying provisions of the Ethics in Government Act, Minn. Stat. §§ 10A.01 et seq., apply to rulemakings, certificate of need proceedings, and cases involving rate setting, power plant siting, and powerline siting. Persons participating in such cases may be subject to registration, reporting and other requirements. For further information please contact the Minnesota Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board, First Floor, Centennial Office Building, 658 Cedar Street, St. Paul, MN 55155; (651) 296-5148.

DATED AT SAINT PAUL DECEMBER 17, 2007
BY THE COMMISSION
BURL W. HAAR, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

| MONDAY  | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY   | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY                                 |  |
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| MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION DECEMBER 17, 2007 THROUGH JANUARY 11, 200   |   |   |   |  |  |
| DECEMBER 17 9:30 PUC Planning Meeting   | 18<br>9:30 Commission Agenda Meeting  | 9:30 PUC Planning Meeting   | 9:30 Commission Agenda Meeting  | 21                                     |  |
| 1:00 Commission Meeting  Pub. Info. Mtg., Xcel/GRE, ET, E-06-1115, Marshall, MN  Pub. Info. Mtg., Xcel/GRE, ET, E-06-1115, Olivia, MN | 1:00 Commission Meeting  Prehrg Conf., Xcel/GRE, ET E-06-1115, LHR  Pub. Info. Mtg., Xcel/GRE, ET, E-06-1115,  Marshall, MN  Pub. Info. Mtg., Xcel/GRE, ET, E-06-1115,  Arlington, MN | 1:00 Commission Meeting  Pub. Hrg., GRE, ET-07-678, Rosemount, MN | 1:00 Commission Meeting  Pub. Hrg., GRE, ET-07-678, Elk River, MN             |  |  |
| DECEMBER 24 9:30 PUC Planning Meeting   | CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY STATE OFFICES CLOSED  | 9:30 PUC Planning Meeting   | 9:30 Commission Agenda Meeting CANCELED                                       | 28                                     |  |
| 1:00 Commission Meeting   |   | 1:00 Commission Meeting   | 1:00 Commission Meeting  Pub. Hrg., Energy Facilities. Permitting Review, SHR |  |  |
| DECEMBER 31 9:30 PUC Planning Meeting   | JANUARY 1, 2008  NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY   | 9:30 PUC Planning Meeting   | 9:30 Commission Agenda Meeting CANCELED                                       | 4                                      |  |
| 1:00 Commission Meeting   | STATE OFFICES CLOSED  | 1:00 Commission Meeting   | 1:00 Commission Meeting  Pub. Hrg., Nashwauk-Blackberry Natural               | Pub. Hrg., Nashwauk-Blackberry Natural |  |
| JANUARY 7 9:30 PUC Planning Meeting 10:00 Farewell Party for Comm. Johnson - Large Hrg. Rm.   | 8<br>9:30 Commission Agenda Meeting   | 9<br>9:30 PUC Planning Meeting                                    | Gas, PL,E-06-1481, Nashwauk, MN  10 9:30 Commission Agenda Meeting            | Gas, PL,E-06-1481, Nashwauk, MN  11    |  |
| 1:00 Commission Meeting   | 1:00 Commission Meeting   | 1:00 Commission Meeting   | 1:00 Commission Meeting  Pub. Hrg., OTP/Others, E,ET-05-619, Ortonville, MN   |  |  |

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The schedules for the second, third and fourth weeks are subject to change. Please refer to subsequent copies of the Weekly Calendar to confirm meeting dates and times.